

RAILROAD CLASHES BETWEEN COALMONGERS OF LOCOMOTIVES

John J. Dowd, Executive Chairman of Central Strike Committee Wires President Harding for the Immediate Appointment of 1,000 Locomotive Inspectors—Asserts That Safety of Passengers and Train Crews is Menaced—Railway Executives Maintain That Four of Five Recent Accidents Were Due to Neglect or Carelessness of Train Crews; That No Loss of Human Life Has Been Attributed to Defective Equipment.

New York, Aug. 30.—Eastern carrier chiefs today joined with the Association of Railway Executives in upholding their claim that, despite the strike of shopmen, locomotives and rolling stock are being maintained in a condition which assures the safety of passengers and crews.

The report of the interstate commerce commission, submitted before the senate yesterday, in which a rapid deterioration in equipment and an increase in unsafe locomotives was indicated, was described by L. P. Love, chairman of the eastern carriers' conference, as "an ancient his-story and therefore misleading" because it covered conditions in July and "was not indicative of present conditions."

A similar statement was made by the executives' association when it became known that John J. Dowd, executive chairman of the central strike committee, metropolitan district, had wired President Harding urging the immediate appointment of 1,000 locomotive inspectors.

The situation is a grave menace to the safety of passengers and train crews and unless immediately corrected it will constitute a violation of your solemn pledges to the congress and people of the United States that the inspection and the safety laws governing railroad equipment would be rigidly enforced," said the central telegram to White House.

This brought from the executive association a statement saying: "Since July 1 there have been five unfortunate railroad accidents which have attracted unusual attention because of the strike of the railway shopmen and the statements promulgated by leaders of the strikers that the equipment of the railroads is unsafe."

With an exception of the Gary wreck, where an engineer and fireman were killed, the accidents were in no way connected with the strike of the shopmen and the statements promulgated by leaders of the strikers that the equipment of the railroads is unsafe.

The coroner's jury in the Gary crash held the dead were victims of homicide, the coroner's jury in the case of the accident at the Pennsylvania station, where a passenger was killed, held that the accident was due to defective equipment.

The roads today continued to report conditions improving on all eastern lines, although the situation was still uncertain. Southern and western points were hours off schedule—in some cases arriving 24 hours late. Eastern lines, however, were running on time, and the situation outside their zone of operation.

Later a demand for a "sweeping inspection" of the present state of railroad equipment was made by a telegram to Senator Albert R. Cummins, chairman of the interstate commerce committee of the senate, by the central strike committee.

A charge was made in the telegram that the carriers are "deliberately concealing the facts."

It is claimed that the condition of equipment on the Pennsylvania lines is "normal," officials of that road tonight issued a statement in connection with the commerce commission's report on railroad stock inspecting.

"No railroad," the statement added, "with impaired or defective equipment could have moved the amount of freight that the Pennsylvania has been required to move and has actually moved since the strike began."

CHICAGO AND ALTON ROAD IN HANDS OF RECEIVERS

Chicago, Aug. 30.—The Chicago and Alton railroad was placed in the hands of receivers today by federal judge Carpenter. W. G. Bird, president, and W. W. Wheeler, an attorney, were named as the receivers.

According to a statement by Elias H. Strauss, appointed counsel for the receivers, the receivership was precipitated principally by the great falling off in the receipts of the company due to the coal strike and by the extra expenses due to the strikers' strike.

The suit resulting in the receivership was filed by the Texas company of New York and Chicago, a receiver with assets of about \$250,000. At the office of Mr. Strauss it was stated the receivership will not in any way change the operation of the road's trains.

TO PROTECT INTERESTS OF C. & A. BONDHOLDERS

New York, Aug. 30.—Receivership for the Chicago and Alton railroad was followed today by the formation of a committee headed by F. H. Ecker, vice president of the Metropolitan Life Insurance company, to protect the interests of the bondholders of the C. & A. per cent. first 20-year gold bonds due in 1950, of which a statement said, there are \$22,000,000 outstanding.

Others on the committee include Bernard Cutler of New York; J. H. Perkins, president of the Farmers Loan and Trust company; J. V. E. Venturi, vice president; Equitable Life Assurance society, and Ana S. Wing, president of the "President Life and Trust company of Philadelphia."

The members of the committee represent very large holdings of these bonds, the statement added. "The Farmers Loan and Trust will act as depository of the bonds and the committee will be in charge of preparation and the committee intends today to issue a call to the bondholders to deposit their bonds here."

Directors of the Chicago and Alton, including W. G. Bird, president, but adjourned without issuing a statement. Mr. Bird declined to comment on the situation.

JEWELL'S ESTIMATION OF RAILROAD LABOR BOARD

Chicago, Aug. 30.—The decision of the United States railroad labor board on the "living wage" for maintenance of way employees fully justifies the

CABLED PARAGRAPHS

Giolitti Coming to United States

Naples, Aug. 30.—Federico Giolitti, consulting engineer for the Ansaldo company and son of Giovanni Giolitti, former premier and minister of the interior, said for the United States today on-board the steamer Giuseppe Verdi.

Charged With Espionage

Munich, Aug. 30.—The police have arrested on the charge of espionage M. Pasquier, who is described as "a member of the inter-allied Rhine commission." The police say that Pasquier attempted to attend a meeting of government officials, that he had failed to declare his arrival and did not possess a permit to enter Bavaria.

CONSIDERING PLANS TO SETTLE HARD COAL STRIKE

Philadelphia, Aug. 30.—Members of the scale committee of the anthracite miners and operators today took up consideration of the suggestion made to them at a statement tonight. He asserted this decision tended to perpetuate the lack of confidence which, he said, had been engendered by other decisions. The labor charged, in making the decision, had charged, other proved itself incompetent or definitely committed to the "financial power."

The principle of the "living wage" was brought before the board by the maintenance of way organization, which is asking for an increase in wages based on the wage necessary for a worker to maintain himself and his family in reasonable comfort. The board maintained that its decision would be based on a "just and reasonable wage" and that the difference between the two expressions was principally one of terminology.

HOUSE DISCUSSES THE COAL DISTRIBUTION BILL

Washington, Aug. 30.—After rejecting all amendments to the administration coal distribution bill the house ran into an unexpected snarl today and was forced to quit until tomorrow without reaching a vote.

Every change proposed was either thrown out or a point of order or a procedural question was raised. At the end of the day, Chairman Winslow of the interstate commerce committee, who was in charge of the measure, predicted it would go through at once.

President Harding's original suggestion for creation of a buying and selling committee of "representative" miners and operators was not lifted by either miners or operators. It was generally believed that they involve the elimination of the arbitration offer made by the operators at their last joint conference with the union leaders.

WITNESS TESTIFIED BERGER RECEIVED "SQUARE DEAL"

Edgewater, N. J., Aug. 30.—The case of the prosecution which is holding George Berger, a picture showman, for the killing in his home last Friday of John Berge, a motion picture actor, was threatened with a set-back today when Alice Thornton, considered one of the state's strongest witnesses, indicated that her testimony would favor Cline.

SENATOR JOHNSON WINS RENOMINATION IN CALIFORNIA

San Francisco, Calif., Aug. 30.—Senator Hiram W. Johnson, and State Treasurer John W. Johnson, who is a republican nominee in California, for United States senator and governor, at the November election, returns from about three-fourths of the state indicated to support Hiram W. Johnson, a republican nomination, 4,722, precincts, Hiram W. Johnson, 233,572; Charles C. Moore, 17,175.

STRIKER HELD FOR ILLEGALLY POSSESSING EXPLOSIVES

North Bergen, N. J., Aug. 30.—Harold Grassfield, a striking West Shore road shopman, was held in \$2,000 bail for possession of explosives. Grassfield was arrested on suspicion of having been implicated in the bombing of a West Shore local train at Granton, on August 13.

RESULT OF DEMOCRATIC CAUCUS IN NORTH HAVEN

North Haven, Conn., Aug. 30.—The democratic caucus held here tonight pledged delegates to the congressional caucus to support Frank A. Lafayette for congressman. The state, senatorial and probate delegates were not pledged.

SEPT. 6 IN NEW YORK STATE

Albany, N. Y., Aug. 30.—Governor Miller today issued a proclamation urging the people of the state to observe September 6 as Lafayette-Memo day by public exercises "that will fitly honor the memory of Lafayette and proclaim the gratitude with which Americans regard the achievement of the men who won the victory at the Marne," during the world war.

May Scrap Portion Of Prohibition Navy

Find Operation of Nine Submarine Chasers Would Cost Nearly \$1,000,000 a Year.

Washington, Aug. 30.—Part of the prohibition navy may be scrapped, it was indicated tonight in official quarters. Operation of the fleet of nine submarine chasers, which cost \$1,000,000, would cost nearly \$1,000,000 a year and it was asserted that there has been some discussion of the prohibition bureau turning back to the coast guard some of the ships obtained for sea service against rum-smugglers.

REVIEW OF MANUFACTURING ACTIVITY IN NEW ENGLAND

Boston, Aug. 30.—The average rate of manufacturing activity in New England at the present time is not far below normal and the volume of trade is increasing, according to a report of the Federal Reserve bank of Boston, said today in review of industrial and financial conditions throughout this section.

There were no definite announcements as to a result of the day's activities and none is expected until after each has communicated to the Pennsylvania senators the result of their separate considerations of the new proposals.

There were many rumors throughout the anthracite regions that a settlement had been reached, but there was no foundation for them.

International President John L. Lewis of the miners' union, was in town tonight and he held a conference with the district president of the hard coal fields at which he laid before them the suggestions submitted to him in Washington last night.

The operators were not in evidence about their offices here today and while the union leaders were said to be meeting of representatives of the mine owners, it is understood there has been an exchange of views on the latest suggestion.

FEDERALS CLASH WITH SUPPORTERS OF MURGIA

Mexico City, Aug. 30.—Federal forces this morning clashed with a small group of the supporters of General Murguia, who were armed with rifles and machine guns, according to an official report issued this afternoon.

ON SOLDIERS' BONUS TODAY

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ROOM FULL OF COUNTERFEIT "BONDED WHISKY" LABELS

Springfield, Mass., Aug. 30.—With the arrest today of Cosmo Carbone, of this city, John J. McGrath, U. S. secret service agent, believes he may have uncovered a trail that will lead to the arrest of members of a whiskey running band engaged in substituting counterfeit labels in bond labels on whiskey bottles.

WIFE OF STRIKER CHARGED WITH ASSAULT AND BATTERY

Reading, Mass., Aug. 30.—Mrs. Annie Demasio, wife of a striking railroad shopman, was arrested last night charged with assault and battery on a woman unknown during a riot which broke out when about 100 strikers and pathfinders stoned workers as they were leaving the New York Haven and Hartford yards.

LATEST RETURNS FROM MONTANA PRIMARIES

Helena, Mont., Aug. 30.—Three hundred and seven precincts out of 1,521 in the state available at noon today gave Representative Carl W. Riddick, of Lewistown, a lead over Attorney General W. D. Rankin, of 221, with a vote of 3,514 to 7,030 for Rankin, the republican nomination for United States senator.

FIRST INDICTMENT IN HERRIN MASSACRE CASE

Marion, Ills., Aug. 30.—The first indictment in connection with the Herring massacre in which 22 persons were killed June 21 and 22 was returned today this afternoon by the special grand jury investigating the mine war. The name of the person indicted was withheld pending arrest.

GEDAL CARPET EFFECTS

Declines to Accept Moratorium Conditional Upon Production of Gold Guarantees—France is Determined to Obtain Reparations From Germany by Seizure of Guarantees and Enforce Such Payments in the Reparations Commission Decides to Grant a Moratorium to Germany Without Exacting the Securities Demanded by France.

Berlin, Aug. 30.—(By the A. P.)—The cabinet has decided to reject new demands sent through Herr Schroeder of the German finance ministry by the reparations commission in Paris for more productive or gold guarantees as a condition to the granting of a moratorium to Germany.

While official announcement is withheld, in order not to interfere with the work of the commission and owing to the desire of the official generally to allow the German delegations every possible opportunity to make a final offer, the cabinet has decided to accept a moratorium to Germany without exacting the securities demanded by France.

GERMANY'S LATEST PROPOSAL TO REPARATIONS COMMISSION

Paris, Aug. 30.—Herr Schroeder's final proposal to the reparations commission this afternoon was a request for a moratorium for cash payments during the remainder of 1922 only, with a new plan for 1923, namely, that if a moratorium was granted them the German government would secure coal and timber by private contracts with the industrialists. A meeting for such arrangement would take place at Weisbaden, where delegates from the reparations commission would meet the German industrial leaders, Herr Stinnes, and others.

NOTE FOR A COMPROMISE ON REPARATIONS ABANDONED

Paris, Aug. 30.—Hope of reaching a compromise acceptable to all the allied powers was virtually abandoned tonight after the final hearing accorded to Germany by the reparations commission this afternoon had resulted in a flat refusal to accept a moratorium on the basis of a "long conference" tonight with M. Viviani and the minister of finance, M. Lefevre. Later he received Andre Lefevre, former minister of war, a most persistent advocate of the payment of strong measures toward Germany.

FRANCE IS UNWAVERING IN REPARATIONS DEMANDS

Paris, Aug. 30.—Grim determination to obtain reparations from Germany, seize guarantees and enforce such payments in the event that the reparations commission's decision tomorrow should grant a moratorium to Germany without exacting the securities demanded by France, was everywhere evident in French official circles tonight.

LAWRENCE TEXTILE STRIKE IS A THING OF THE PAST

Lawrence, Mass., Aug. 30.—The Lawrence textile strike today became a thing of the past and virtual peace reigned between workers and employers as the first time since the strike began the two remaining mills which had still held out for lower wages, the Methuen and the Pemberton, today capitulated to the demands of the strikers and announced that on September 30 the wage scale in effect before March 27 would be restored.

OMAR ROBERTS, A 60 YEAR OLD WIDOWER, OF YARMOUTH, N. S., WAS ARRESTED CHARGED WITH THE MURDER OF FLORA JONES, HIS 19 YEAR OLD HOUSEKEEPER, WHO WAS FOUND DYING FROM BURNS IN A FIRE WHICH DESTROYED ROBERTS' HOME.

Erection in Washington of a bronze statue of Edward D. White long chief justice of the United States at a cost of \$100,000 was proposed in a resolution by Representative Hogan, republican, New York.

THREE MEN CHARGED WITH KILLING TWO ENGINEERS BY THE WHEELS OF A MICHIGAN CENTRAL EXPRESS TRAIN LAST WEEK

Nere held today a grand jury in Detroit, Michigan, charged with the killing of two engineers by the wheels of a Michigan Central express train last week ago.

RECEIVED IN WASHINGTON OF A BRONZE STATUE OF EDWARD D. WHITE LONG CHIEF JUSTICE OF THE UNITED STATES AT A COST OF \$100,000 WAS PROPOSED IN A RESOLUTION BY REPRESENTATIVE HOGAN, REPUBLICAN, NEW YORK.

Hands totaling \$400,000 have been raised by President Harding to enable army engineer to begin construction work on the Wilson dam, at Muscle Shoals, Ala.

THE RESIDENCE OF STATE FUEL ADMINISTRATOR THOMAS W. RUSSELL, AT NO. 35 WEST END AVENUE, HARTFORD, WAS ENTERED BY BURGLARS AND A CONSIDERABLE QUANTITY OF SILVERWARE STOLEN.

The cost of collecting taxes by the state of Massachusetts for the last fiscal year amounted to about 10 cents for every \$100 collected as compared with the cost of \$1.30 per \$100 for the collection of federal taxes as recently announced at Washington.

A TYPHOON IS MOVING TOWARD THE CHINA COAST

Washington, Aug. 30.—The weather bureau announced tonight receipt of radio reports from the Far East indicating the presence of a typhoon "over the east China sea, moving westward." Similar advice was received by the bureau prior to the recent descent of a typhoon upon the coast of China with the resulting loss of thousands of lives.

MARCUS GARVEY NOW FOR DIVORCE

New York, Aug. 30.—Marcus Garvey, head of the Negro Improvement association and once chief of the Black Star line which was organized by him, was today in court in New York to be divorced by his wife, Amy. Mrs. Garvey, who two years ago sued Garvey for a separation, refused to admit the validity of a divorce decree which Garvey is said to have obtained in Mississippi.

FIGHTING IN SOUTH RUSSIA AGAINST BOLSHIEVISM

London, Aug. 31.—A dispatch to the Daily Mail from Moscow says that the Russian government has received in the German capital that the Odessa province has purged itself of bolshevism, proclaimed its independence of Moscow, and called upon all citizens to unite against the "communist usurpers."

The report alleges that the whole of south Russia has joined with Odessa and that the revolution has been attended by bloody encounters.